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### JEROME AND SUPREME COURT OF NEW YORK STATE.

In a recent address before the City Club of New York, District Attorney Jerome made a significant and startling attack on the Supreme Court of New York State. Among other things he said:

"I have no reverence—I have not even common every-day respect—for the justices of the Supreme Court of the first department. Some of you will say, perhaps, I should not say these things, but I cannot accept a popular opinion that would make me keep silent on a subject that has made my blood boil. Look at the Supreme Court of this department and you will understand as members of the bar, what I refer to. The cowardice of my profession, the cowardice of the bar, is responsible for this state of affairs. The young man who raises his voice in open protest to the things that are every day making for the present degradation of the Supreme Court bench in this department is denounced as a crank by those very members of the bar who should do most to remedy the prevailing state of affairs, as well as by others who protest that to voice a sentiment against the bench would lose for them valued clients. Even those who lead the bar dodge the issue and say: 'We have natural interests entrusted to our care and we cannot jeopardize them.' When a judge of the Supreme Court has to go to Charlie Murphy, a common bartender, and plead to be elevated to a position to pass on our lives, our liberties and our property, it is something for the bar to think about. It is known that certain members of the judiciary to which I have reference, retain their interests in commercial and other business matters and transactions while they sit on the bench. Every day that passes over their heads is filled with imminent peril of a scandal that seems about to break because of these affiliations."

"That is the most serious arraignment of the judiciary ever made in a long time. The mere fact that it comes from a man who has been a hard-boiled cynic and who is inclined to talk in the superlative degree does not rob the attack of its force. The judge who is elevated to a place on the Supreme bench because of friendship for men or corporations who have ulterior motives to advance, certainly is not a fit man to be in such an important position. It is not a question of appointive or elective judges, as some persons have sought to make it appear, for the people who are willing to stand for a loss of the Murphy type certainly will put in legislative places the men who would name the horse's choice for judicial honors. If the people cannot be trusted to elect just and honorable judges it is a self-evident proposition that they should not be trusted to name men who are to choose those judges. The responsibility and the remedy rest with the people. When they decide that the scandalous conditions existing in New York are no longer bearable reforms will be ushered in without further delay."

### DEMOCRATIC PARTY AND THE CORPORATIONS.

The Raleigh Evening Times quotes a man who is said to be in close

touch with North Carolina manufacturing interests as declaring that the present policy of the Democratic party, especially in its attitude towards corporations, is having the effect of driving many good citizens into the Republican organization.

That may be true in the Old North State, but there are no surface indications of such a trend of sentiment in Virginia, and even if there were few real Democrats would agree to change the time-honored principles of the party in order to catch the passing whim and fancy of those who cannot bring themselves into touch with its tenets. Parties, like individuals, are gauged by certain standards. If they stand for what is right and true and just they must sooner or later appeal to true and honorable men and will live. If Democracy stands for a square deal as between the people and the corporations the time will come when these two elements will meet together beneath the banners of that party and will come to an understanding and an agreement in which the rights and privileges of each will be protected. If it does not stand for a square deal as between the two it does not deserve the support of honorable men. Upon an intelligent and rational settlement of this question must rest the final judgment of each man who is called upon to exercise the high privilege of choosing his political associates.

It is announced in New York that the American Bison Society is to be formed for the purpose of preserving the buffalo and of restocking some parts of the West with that distinctive American animal. William Thornaday, director of the New York Zoological Park, is one of the enthusiastic promoters of the movement. He recently had an interview with President Roosevelt in regard to the subject and those back of the project hope that a new reservation will be started in the West for the purposes outlined. It is to be hoped that success will crown the efforts of those who are promoting the society. Not only the buffaloes, but the forests of the country should be protected from those short-sighted mortals who do not hesitate to exterminate when their own selfish interests point in that direction.

Wily Abdul Hamid made a center sheet when he let out this observation: "However ill my Bashibazaks may have treated my Christian subjects they have not treated them so ill as the Czar's Christian Cossacks have treated the Czar's Jews." There would be fewer inconsistencies if men would only realize the eternal truth that the principles of true religion cannot be limited to a single nation nor bound up in a human creed. Of course the Sultan's cutting retort does not justify the murder of Christians by Moslems, but it certainly robs the Christian(?) Czar of right to protest against Moslem atrocities.

Three Americans have been sentenced to death by the Mexican courts for murdering two men in order to collect life insurance policies on their lives. The mere fact that the men are to be shot instead of being dispatched in some other method should cause no excitement. It would be difficult to imagine a more despicable crime than that said to have been confessed by these criminals and any method of ridding the world of them which does not involve "cruel and unusual punishment" should receive the applause rather than the condemnation of all normal minded men.

One of the first things the Senate should do is to expel Senator Burton, of Kansas. That distinguished gentleman has twice been found guilty of a crime calling for imprisonment. Unless lawbreakers are in their element in the upper house of Congress, we fail to see how the Senators can further ignore the status of their colleague.

About sixty discontented Cubans have taken to the woods. If they escape the constable, we probably soon will hear of the organization of a provisional government.

A chorus girl who is being sued by a New York "johnny" for divorce, says she married the man to get rid of him. She certainly seems to have sized him up right.

Mr. McCurdy might as well have retired when the skirmishing began. He had to retire under fire anyway.

### Double Harness.

E. L. Harness and Gertrude Carr were married a few days ago in Christian County, Missouri. We have not earned the names of the people who made up the bridal party, but we hope lady has hitched her wagon to a star; that she may never have any trouble in holding the reins, and that there may be no disposition at any time on the part of the gentleman to "sick over the traces."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Norway's choosing a King by a big majority, instead of a President, looks like turning the clock of progress backward.—Baltimore Sun.

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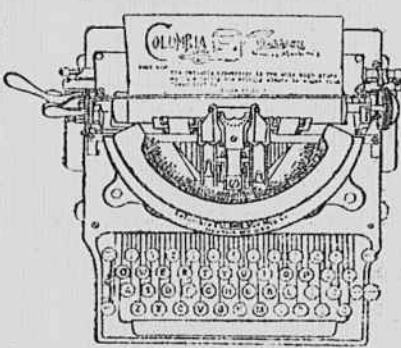
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"This man sat in the club dining room at lunch when a bill collector, having somehow eluded the attendants in the hall, walked up to him and laid on the table his overdue account."

"The clubman glared at the account, his fork suspended in the air. Then, solemnly and indignantly, he handed the paper back to the collector."

"How dare you," he said, 'infringe upon the rules of my club in this manner? Don't you know a man's club is like his home? Don't you know I can have you forcibly ejected for coming in here without a card of membership or an introduction? The rules of this club require that if you have business

with a member you wait in the hall while an attendant brings in your name. Now, I demand that you go out into the hall immediately, taking this bill with you, and that you send in your card to me in the proper way."

"The collector, red in the face, but hopeful on the whole, complied. He retired to the hall and sent in his card with all formality."

"The clubman, eating steadily, received the card on a silver salver. He studied it gravely. Then he said to the waiter:

"Not at home."—New York Exchange.

### Will Somebody Please Explain?

General Grosvenor, speaking of the result in Ohio, says that Senator Foraker saved the rest of the ticket. But as the Senator is very anxious to avoid responsibility for anything that happened in Ohio on that day how can that be possible?—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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